

Substance Abuse Services Division
ASAIS Conference Call
July 21, 2006

Minutes

- On July 21, 2006, the thirteenth Substance Abuse Services Division's Alabama Substance Abuse Information System (ASAIS) conference call was held. The call began at 10 am and hosted approximately thirty five provider organizations, most with multiple staff participating.
- Agenda Item # 1 - Introductions: Mr. Vilamaa, the Project Director for ASAIS welcomed and thanked the providers for joining the 13th ASAIS conference call. Mr. Vilamaa asked providers to introduce themselves. The following organizations were identified. We apologize if any were omitted.

Cahaba MHC
Mountain Lakes
CED Fellowship House
Second Choice
Birmingham Fellowship House
MHC Madison County
Aletheia House
Drug Education Council
The Bridge
Chilton-Shelby
Carradale Lodge
West Alabama
Riverbend MHC
The Bridge
Hilary Hamlin – Healthcare Perspectives
Becky Novak – Healthcare Perspectives

- Staff participation included:

Mr. Kris Vilamaa
Ms. Beverly Johnson
Mr. Brandon Folks

- Agenda Item # 2 – ASAIS Update:
 - a. Mr. Vilamaa announced that he had released the final data elements and forms to be used for implementation of ASAIS. If providers have any concerns he asked them to contact him as soon as possible.
 - b. Claims testing is scheduled to begin on August 1st and all preparations amongst the project team are preparing to meet that date.
 - c. Timeline: There is no change in the timeline as it has been discussed previously.

➤ Agenda Item # 4 – Questions:

No Questions were submitted prior to the call.

Questions submitted during the call:

- 1) What date do the new forms go into effect?
 - a. The new forms will not be used until the April 1st scheduled Go Live of AS AIS. However, we likely will be putting out a separate mandate to collect discharge elements that are still a part of the CDR specifications, though we had stopped mandating them in 2003.
- 2) Mr. Hunt mentioned at a meeting last week that a document would be coming out to allow providers to request additional funds for the AS AIS transition. When will that be available?
 - a. Mr. Vilamaa indicated that document would be released prior to the next conference call.

➤ Agenda Item # 5 Announcements: none

The next conference call is scheduled for Friday, August 4th at 10 am. To participate please dial 1-888-776-3766. You will be prompted for a meeting room number, which is *2626217*. The star key (*) must be entered before and after entry of the numbers. Please make your call at least five (5) minutes before the start of each meeting.